

**IN THE ABSTRACT:**

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- - ~~It is herein described a~~ A scraping sealing device for ~~[[the ]]cleaning [[of ]]the~~ stems and the bristles of liquid or pasty cosmetic product applicators, comprising a substantially cylindrical body of flexible material, crossed by an axial hole, to be applied to the neck of a container; the ~~[[said ]]~~body showing a terminal section having a substantially truncated conical layout, wherein the outer wall of the ~~[[said ]]~~terminal section, which reaches the applicator, forms with the device axis an angle different from 90 degrees, the device wall tapering in the ~~[[said ]]~~terminal section until ~~to have a null thickness at the in~~ correspondence with the edge is encountered.

~~This layout allows to obtain a particularly efficacious~~ The device which makes an exhaustive cleaning of the stem when the latter is extracted from the bottle~~[[, it]]~~. It completely removes the exceeding contents present on the bristles and when the applicator is again inserted into the bottle, the device makes an efficacious hydraulic seal around the stem body, that avoids the product from drying. - -